

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Kazuo Hara and Takaaki Eguchi  
Serial Number: 10/575,401  
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Examiner/Group Art Unit: M. Lichti/3663  
Title: STEERING CONTROL APPARATUS AND  
METHOD

**INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

M.S. Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during a telephonic interview conducted on November 24, 2009. Applicants discussed possible claim amendments to claim 1 with the Examiner, but no agreement was reached.

Applicants further note for clarity that they did not have a representative present during the discussion with Examiner To referred to in the Interview Summary dated December 4, 2009. The Examiner contacted the undersigned, apparently after that discussion, and reported that Examiner To did not believe that certain proposed amendments to claim 1 overcame the pending rejection.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below if there are any questions with regard to this paper.

Respectfully submitted,  
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